46. The method of claim 43, wherein said nucleic acid molecule encodes a moiety selected form the group consisting of a hormone, an enzyme, a growth factor, a apolipoprotein, a therapeutic protein, a diagnostic protein, a diagnostic reporter molecule, a reporter molecule, an anti-sense molecule, a ribozyme, an rRNA, a tRNA, an snRNA, and portions or derivatives thereof.

47. A moiety made by the method of claim 43.--

## REMARKS

## THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Applicants have canceled claims 1 through 16 and added claims 17 through 47. These claims add no new subject matter as they are fully supported throughout the specification. For example, claims 17 through 47 are supported by the claims as originally filed

## **CONCLUSION**

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are ready for examination and in condition for allowance. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits to <u>Deposit Account 501321</u> in the name of David R. Preston & Associates having <u>Customer No.: 24232</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

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